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O-SHOT-CAW WINS BEST ALL AROUND LODGE & RECEIVES THE NATIONAL SERVICE AWARD!

As the entire O-Shot-Caw Lodge gathered at the Flaming Arrow Scout Reservation on Sunday morning for the award presentation, Arrowmen waited in anticipation for the announcement of the 2002 Best All Around Lodge. When Section Chief Chris Crowley said, "...for the fourth year in a row, first place for Best All Around Lodge, O-Shot-Caw Lodge" electricity could be felt running in the blood of all members of the O-Shot-Caw Lodge. Never before has a lodge in Section S4S won the BAAL



O-Shot-Caw became a consecutive four-time Best All Around Lodge at the Section Conference!

competition for four consecutive years. However, the success of the O-Shot-Caw Lodge did not end here. In sum, O-Shot-Caw swept the awards this year! A list of all the awards we won can be found within this issue of *The Patchwork*. Moreover, a special section will be devoted to certain aspects of competition so all Arrowman may have a better understanding of just what kind of dedication is needed to do what our

lodge does on a regular basis (i.e. win absolutely everything). The Section Conference is always known as an event where history is made, broken, and redefined. The events kicked off Friday evening with the opening show put on by the Seminole Lodge. The section officers were introduced along with the National Chief and Region Chief. Chris Crowley opened the festivities with his speech and encouraged Arrowman to follow the phrase "Carpe Diem" and seize the opportunities they had at the Section Conference.

This was not a problem considering all of the activities, training cells, and meetings that were constantly going on at the Section Conference. Saturday morning is when everything started. Note the word "everything" because that was no understatement. Since our lodge had over 200 Arrowman in attendance, it was easy to

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Chiefly Speaking...



Never before have I had such difficulty in deciding how to begin this column of "Chiefly Speaking."

I have been a youth member of O-Shot-Caw for six years now and never in that time have I felt the

intensity I now feel running through the mighty O-Shot-Caw Lodge. After every lodge event, Andre Cupas and I always say, "I love this lodge." The Section Conference further emphasized the point that every Lodge Chief of O-Shot-Caw preaches, that we are the greatest lodge in the nation. When you take a moment to look at what O-Shot-Caw has accomplished, it is easy to see why we are considered the trendsetters and that one simple word, the "best." However, this success is not from any particular individual. The success we [O-Shot-Caw] reap is from the culmination of the hard work put forth by members of the L.E.C., youth Arrowman, and the adults. When I was sitting in the crowd with the lodge and they announced us at the 2002 Best All Around Lodge, I had to take a moment to convince myself this is actually happening and that I am not dreaming. That morning, our lodge did the impossible and became the BAAL for the fourth time. I always find myself rambling on about us being the BAAL, but we have much more to brag about. Lodges around the nation would love to simply compete and place in certain forms of competition. Not us. Our standard is

to win everything! Not since the 1986 Section Conference has O-Shot-Caw pulled a sweep like this. Granted, we did win almost everything in the 1999, 2000, and 2001 Section Conference, but this time we won everything! Everyone who is a member of O-Shot-Caw knows our famous cheer "Knock Knock." Within the cheer, one line reads, "...who can knock O-Shot-Caw down? Nobody Nobody Yeah!" I couldn't have said it better myself. Nobody can defeat the O-Shot-Caw Lodge.

After the conference, I was walking back from class one day and had a message from Ron Bell waiting for me on my answering machine saying in a very serious voice, "Josh, we need to talk. Give me a call." I called Ron back and he says, "Josh, I have some bad news for you. You have to go to New Orleans." In shock I said, "Why? What's in New Orleans?" Ron then says, "Well who else is going to pick up the National Service Award at the National Meeting?" That message knocked me right off my feet. Ron did a good job in tricking me to think he had bad news, when in fact it was some of the greatest news I have ever heard. More information on the conference and the National Service Award are enclosed in this issue of *The Patchwork*. As you go through life, always remember to "learn through experience" and you will "succeed through ambition."

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Josh Levenson
O-Shot-Caw Lodge Chief
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O-Shot-Caw Receives the National Service Award!

Just when you thought O-Shot-Caw could not possibly win any other award, we have been named a recipient of the National Service Award for the 2001-year! The National Service Award was established in 1999 to recognize lodges in each region that have performed outstanding service, both in a qualitative and a quantitative sense to their council. To be considered for the National Service Award, a Lodge must be certified as a National Quality Lodge the year in which the National Service Award Petition is submitted. Two Lodges per region are presented the National Service Award annually. Since 1999, at least one Lodge in Section S4S has received the National Service Award every year. In the O-Shot-Caw Lodge National Service Award Petition, information about the membership, events, and number of service hours were discussed. From January 2001 to December 2001, O-Shot-Caw totaled 13,327 hours of cheerful service. This total includes the service performed at events such as ordeals, fundraisers, council events, summer camp, and the Southern Region's One Day of Service. Within the petition, one particular event must be described in detail. O-Shot-Caw decided to write an extensive review of this year's Haunted Forest. The National Service Award will now become a permanent fixture at the Tom Tatham Scout Center in Miami Lakes. Lodge Chief Josh Levenson and Lodge Adviser Ron Bell attended the National Boy Scout Meeting in New Orleans to accept the award on behalf of O-Shot-Caw Lodge. For more information about the National Service Award, log onto: <http://www.oa-bsa.org/misc/anr/lodge.htm#nservice>.



Inductions Competition, Ordeal Management

Representative: Andre Cupas



Andre Cupas delivers his PowerPoint presentation for the Inductions Competition

At the Section Conference, one of the competitions set forth is the Inductions Competition. This competition allows lodges to work in developing a quality inductions process and to make the first experience of each member in the Order of the Arrow meaningful. Each lodge is encouraged to share ideas so that every lodge may learn from one

another. The Section Vice-Chief [Nick Digirolamo] is the head judge for this event. Lodges are expected to put together a notebook outlining the certain criteria set forth by the Council Of Chiefs. This year, the competition was put to a point system with a maximum of 100 points that could be earned. O-Shot-Caw Lodge selected Vigil Honor member Andre Cupas to head up the competition. Since his election as First Vice-Chief, Andre has diligently

worked on compiling all of the relevant information pertaining to the competition. The notebook was divided into chapters so the information was easy to navigate through. This competition goes into extreme detail about the entire inductions sequence. Here is a small sample of some of the information expected from each lodge: describe how your lodge uses the Elangomat system and include any training materials; an outline of your [O-Shot-Caw] new member orientation; describe how your lodge conducted its most recent ordeal; describe anything that is unique to your lodge's inductions process [First Year Arrowman Program]; and much more. Andre was also the first person in the history of the O-Shot-Caw Lodge to include a PowerPoint supplement to his inductions presentation. The only lodge to compete this year besides the O-Shot-Caw was the Tipisa Lodge. Last year, Tipisa beat O-Shot-Caw by one half of a point. However, this year, O-Shot-Caw regained its title and won FIRST PLACE in the inductions competition. The last time O-Shot-Caw won first place in Inductions besides this recent victory was in 1999 when Sean McKnight was the lodge's representative. O-Shot-Caw salutes Andre for winning first place on behalf of O-Shot-Caw Lodge. Now the section knows what our inductions sequence entails and why Andre is our little warrior!

Quest for the Golden Arrow

Coordinator: Albert Nuño

The “Quest for the Golden Arrow” was not an easy one this year. Nonetheless, O-Shot-Caw once again proved that we are the greatest in any form of competition by winning FIRST PLACE overall in the quest events! For those of you who have never heard of the quest before, it is a series of athletic competitions in which lodges compete against one another during the Saturday afternoon of the conference. This year, the quest consisted of both individual and team events.

“Tug of War”

“Pull! Pull! Pull!” These are the words that members of the O-Shot-Caw Lodge shouted as we competed in the tug or war competition. This was a double elimination tournament, so a lodge had to lose twice to be completely out of the picture. Well, O-Shot-Caw lost its very first round to Aal-Pa-Tah Lodge. Those pesky gators should have stayed home because they really fired up spirits of the great white heron! O-Shot-Caw regrouped the



Scott’s “game face” in basketball helps O-Shot-Caw win!

team and talked game plan. We managed to pull our way to the final round where we once again faced the Aal-Pa-Tah Lodge. This time, mighty O-Shot-Caw Lodge not

only beat Aal-Pa-Tah once, but again in a rematch! O-Shot-Caw was awarded FIRST PLACE in the tug of war competition!

“3 Way Basketball”

“OOOOOO-SSSHHHOOOTT-CAAWW!” Three-way basketball was regular basketball with a team of three Arrowmen playing to 11 points going 1 point per basket. Not only did we send in our skilled athletes, but we also had approximately 60 Arrowmen watch the basketball competition and cheer on our team! If Scott Behjre’s basketball skills didn’t scare the other team already, then the presence of the mighty O-Shot-Caw Lodge surely did. Another commendable basketball player was our Second Vice-Chief, Albert Nuño. While Albert was on the court, Arrowmen from all lodges were simply stunned at how quick Albert was, his dexterity and accuracy! O-Shot-Caw Lodge made this competition look easy. FIRST PLACE!

“Volleyball”

Where is Alex McDaniel or Tony Blanchard when you need them? O-Shot-Caw competed in volleyball and had a good time in the process. Unfortunately the competition was too strenuous this year and O-Shot-Caw couldn’t do its usual “bump, set, kill” technique. That is about it. No rank. ☹️

“Can you Canoe?”

In this competition, an Arrowman had to canoe from the boating area to the swimming dock, get out and walk a plank to another designated point, then do a sprint back to the canoe dock on land.



Albert Nuño accepts the Golden Arrow for the O-Shot-Caw Lodge!

O-Shot-Caw competed in this event and “out-canoeed” most lodges for a third place finish.

“Build the Raft”

“Send in the Pooca Tooka Chapter” was what Arrowmen shouted when they learned of the build the raft competition. In this crazy event, two Arrowmen were given random objects, told to build a raft, then use that raft to circle around a buoy and back to land. Pooca Tooka proved that they truly do walk like they talk in athletic competition and built their way to a FIRST PLACE finish in the build the raft competition!

“Shotgun Shooting”

Shotgun shooting was definitely full of tough competition. Three Arrowmen from the lodge were given 5 shots each at 5 separate clay pigeons. This totaled to fifteen shots per lodge for our non-math majors. Internet Chairman Rob Burr managed to shoot the O-Shot-Caw Lodge a third place victory in this competition.



King's Cup Representative: Paul Fluty



Since last year's Section Conference, King's Cup Chairman Paul Fluty has been working to redesign our current display and ensure a first place finish at the conference. Paul, with the assistance of his brothers from the Poooca Tooka Chapter, constructed an octagon shaped chickee hut, fully enclosed with one wall left out for access. The entire inside of the chickee is lined with felt to allow photos and other lodge paraphernalia to be hung. Moreover, the top of each wall was equipped with its own fluorescent light to illuminate the inner walls. In the back



Paul Fluty accepts the King's Cup!

of the hut, a table with our trophies was on display along with a laptop computer showing the "2001-2002 O-Shot-Caw Lodge year in review presentation." The top of the chickee was covered with palm fronds. While judges and other Arrowmen entered the chickee, they immediately felt the Seminole music emanating from the back table. Perhaps the defining feature of the display was the very center where a special pedestal for the Best All Around Lodge trophy was built. Above the trophy, a spotlight was shining straight down to illuminate the trophy and remind everyone who entered the hut that mighty O-Shot-Caw is number one! Thanks to Paul and the help of many other brothers of the O-Shot-Caw Lodge, we won FIRST PLACE in the King's Cup competition!

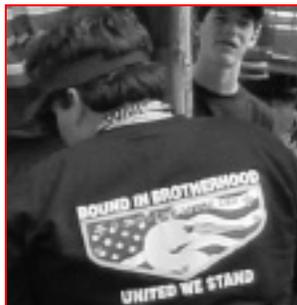


King's Cup wins FIRST PLACE!

Trading Post

Chairman: John Gundlach

Winning is not enough. O-Shot-Caw likes to look good when we do it! Thanks to John Gundlach and the rest of the trading post staff, our lodge accomplished this goal of "looking good" in victory. This year, navy blue shirts and red visors were produced for our delegates to wear. John himself said it best, "we were the best looking lodge out there." The design on the back of the shirt was the current year's Lodge Executive Committee flap, which bore the colors of our nation and displayed the heart and soul of O-Shot-Caw in a very patriotic way. Additionally, the phrase "bound in brotherhood, united we stand" was printed on the back. The red visors were a hit amongst the youth! This was the first time visors were made in almost a decade. However, the visors did not settle well with the adults. Reason, "it doesn't cover my bald head." Oh well. If the youth like it, it stays! A big thanks to John and the rest of the trading post staff for a job well done!



Andy Hausman shows off his shirt for the camera!

Internet/Publications

Rob Burr and Gary Kienzle

Being the best also means communicating the best. At the Section Conference the traditional publications competition was split into two categories: Internet and publications. Representing O-Shot-Caw's website was our very own Internet Chairman Rob Burr. He compiled a notebook consisting of every page viewable on the website. Moreover, he exceeded all of the criteria set forth by the Council Of Chiefs. It was no surprise that Rob scored a FIRST PLACE victory for O-Shot-Caw! Since Publications Chairman Josh Levenson was busy with other competitions at the conference, all publication duties were delegated to Gary Kienzle. Gary assumed the same role last year as acting chairman of the publications committee. Gary spoke on behalf of *The Patchwork* to many other lodges that also competed. O-Shot-Caw also had Grant Wolz sit in as a judge for both competitions. The four issues of *The Patchwork* since August 2001 was enough for our publications to win FIRST PLACE at the Section Conference!

2001-2002 O-Shot-Caw Lodge Group Dance Team



The 2001-2002 Dance Team earns another FIRST PLACE victory at the S4S Section Conference!

Chairman: Eric McAlpin

O-Shot-Caw Lodge's dance team is once again on a roll! For the second year in a row, we have earned FIRST PLACE in the group dance competition at the Section Conference. However, we have now won FIRST PLACE on a state level a total of 24 times since 1955. The motto among the member of the dance team this year was, "first section, then NOAC." With another victory added to record books, the dance team now enters the final preparation stages for NOAC. At the Section Conference, the dance team performed two stomp dances from the Seminole Indian's Green Corn Dance. They were the same two dances that were performed last year, only we had more dancers this year and a different dance boss. Eric McAlpin recalls the day by stating, "I knew we were going to win. We practiced a lot; plus no one else competed." That's right; O-Shot-Caw Lodge was the only lodge to field a group dance team! Nonetheless, our lodge's performance brought in constructive criticism and many other suggestions in preparation for NOAC. Some of the goals before NOAC include recruiting more members, constructing more props, and learning the "Catfish" dance. Notice the word "member" in the prior sentence. That is there because you can be a member of the dance team and not dance. It is called the "prop crew." If you want to support the dance team in any of the aforementioned ways in preparation for NOAC, contact current Dance Team Chairman Eric McAlpin at 954-475-8724 or e-mail him at emc265@hotmail.com.

Support a tradition of legacy and support our group dance team as we hope to once again become national champions!

Pre-Ordeal and Brotherhood Ceremonies Team

Chairman: James Trimble

Since the day the Order of the Arrow was founded, the one thing that has unified every aspect is the ceremonies team. At last year's Section Conference, our ceremonies team was surprised to learn that they did not earn honor distinction, being the highest status a team can earn at the Section Conference. However, this year the ceremonies team fielded two teams: Pre-Ordeal and Brotherhood. Moreover, both of the teams this year earned HONOR STATUS in evaluation. When a team is evaluated, judges comment on the mannerisms in which the ceremonialists perform and the outfits they are

wearing. Our ceremonies team as you know depicts the Seminole culture. This year we also had to Arrowmen named best in section for their respective parts. Sean Mannix for Nutekit and Zach Bentele for Kichkinet. The ceremonies team success did not end here. The section level judges, for his dedication to the Order of the Arrow, also honored Chairman James Trimble. When the Seminole Lodge's Allowat Sakima couldn't make it to evaluations, James learned the mannerisms of the Seminole Lodge and competed with them too so they could be evaluated. O-Shot-Caw salutes James and the ceremonies team!

Festival of Feathers

Lead Adviser: Paul Anderson / Master of Ceremonies: Ron Bell

The Festival of Feathers is an annual trademark of the Section Conference. It is a Pow-Wow that showcases the best in the section on both a youth and adult level. During the Saturday of the Section Conference, the Indian Village is constantly on the go. Individual competitions in the various aspects of dance (i.e., fancy, grass, old-style, and straight) along with the group dance competition that takes place in the morning. In the afternoon, the singing competition takes place and then the village prepares for the Pow-Wow that night. It is essential for the staff at the Indian Village to be attune to the daily events because during the FOF, winners are announced and awarded. Paul Anderson took the lead in organizing the section's FOF and our Lodge Adviser, Ron Bell, served as the MC. The MC speaks for the participants

and audience, informing them of the expected behaviors, sequence of events, and competitions. The MC also makes everyone feel comfortable in his own humorous way. The O-Shot-Caw Lodge was the only lodge in full attendance at the FOF. Not only were we in full attendance, but we were also showing off our spirit by cheering and screaming! The only downside to the Pow-Wow this year was the lack of light on the arbor. That comment has already been passed on and will not be an issue at next year's Section Conference.



**Ron Bell at
the FOF**

“Who can knock O-Shot-Caw down? Nobody Nobody Yeah!”

Drum Team

Chairman: Matt Priebis

For the past three years, the O-Shot-Caw Lodge Drum Team has dominated the competition. This year, three lodges entered the singing competition: O-Shot-Caw, Timuquan, and Aal-Pa-Tah. Our Drum team put forth a valiant effort, but was edged out by the Aal-Pa-Tah Lodge. After the Drum Team learned that they earned second place, they were extremely disappointed. For those of you who have never seen the O-Shot-Caw Drum Team before, they are awesome! Even though the team may have earned second place this year, they are still number one in O-Shot-Caw's books! You have to simply be amazed at our team's attitude. Most lodges would simply love to even have a drum team and our drum team is upset when we place second! If that is not dedication, please tell me what is. O-Shot-Caw salutes and congratulates the drum team for their efforts this year!



**Past Lodge Chief
Chris Miller at the**

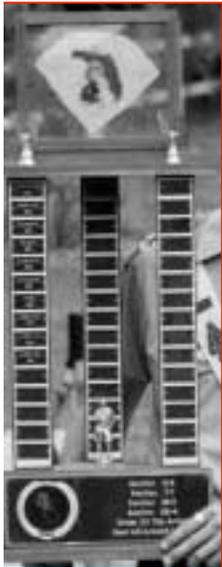
make our presence felt all over the reservation. In the afternoon, all events ended so lodges could focus on the Quest for the Golden Arrow. Second Vice-Chief Albert Nuño organized Arrowmen from our lodge to compete in various events such as tug-o-war, basketball, “can you canoe?”, and the build the raft competition. O-Shot-Caw competed with our spirits high and loud! Towards the end of Saturday, O-Shot-Caw was the only Lodge in full attendance at the Festival of Feathers Pow-Wow. Following the FOF, the Saturday night show commenced. The Seminole Lodge shows team incorporated the conference theme, “Test the bow, make the journey” into the production. Arrowmen would act out certain situations that occur in a youth member's daily life and then asked Arrowmen in attendance to “test the bow.” After seeing the situation an Arrowman was placed in, such as whether or not to cheat on a test, the audience was told to “make the journey” and use the skills taught by the Boy Scouts of America to do the right thing. The National Chief and Region Chief also promoted the OA's Northern Tier program. The evening concluded with the performance of the award winning group dance team (O-Shot-Caw)! Arrowmen woke up Sunday, and the rest is history. Enjoy this issue of *The Patchwork*, which will talk more in-depth of every aspect of the Section Conference.

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Best All Around Lodge

Representative: Josh Levenson



Time Best All Around Lodge!

“...for the fourth year in a row, first place for Best All Around Lodge, O-Shot-Caw Lodge!” These words spoken from the Section Chief at the conference sent electricity through the O-Shot-Caw Lodge. The BAAL competition is not an easy one to enter, which is why only four lodges competed this year: O-Shot-Caw, Tipisa, Echokotee, and Timuquan. Each competing lodge has to compile a notebook that outlines the specific criteria set forth by the Council of Chiefs. This year, the competition was based on a 1,000-point scale. The criterion asks for a detailed description on every aspect of the lodge’s operations and copies of lodge publications (Hence the title, “all around”). Lodge Chief Josh Levenson developed O-Shot-Caw’s notebooks. This year, 15 notebooks were produced for distribution among the section and lodge. Each notebook is in full cover and is approximately 400 pages thick, not counting additional publications enclosed in the notebook. The notebook is also separated by 12 chapters that allows for easier navigation throughout the notebook when looking for specific information. Moreover, O-Shot-Caw burned 20 CDs which included the BAAL notebook, clipart, OA movies, the “where to go camping guidebook,” and much more. The panel of judges this year included the Section Chief, National Chief, Region Chief, and one

representative from each competing lodge. Thank you to Albert Nuño for serving as O-Shot-Caw’s judge. Josh gave a ten-minute PowerPoint presentation on O-Shot-Caw’s recent history and then spoke another ten minutes on the actual notebook itself. Thanks to the efforts all around O-Shot-Caw, we proudly bear the title: BEST ALL AROUND LODGE!

“Staging the Vigil” – A look into the Vigil Honor

When a new Arrowman completes his ordeal, one of the very first things he wants to know about is the Vigil Honor. According to the National Order of the Arrow Committee, the Vigil Honor is a high mark of distinction and recognition reserved for those Arrowmen who, by reason of exceptional service, personal effort, and unselfish interest, have made distinguished contributions beyond the immediate responsibilities of their position of office to one or more of the following: their lodge, the Order of the Arrow, Scouting, or their Scout Camp.

In order to be eligible for the Vigil Honor, you must be a Brotherhood member for at least two years and be registered member – in good standing – of both the Order of the Arrow and the Boy Scouts of America. Each year, a lodge may nominate two percent of their registered Arrowmen for the Vigil Honor. This computes to one nominee for every 50 Arrowmen registered. However, the O-Shot-Caw Lodge only nominates Arrowmen who truly deserve the Vigil Honor. Never do we attempt to max out our quota. That would simply devalue the Vigil Honor, which this lodge will never do.

A Vigil Committee appointed by the Lodge Chief meets to select the upcoming Vigil nominees. Only Arrowmen under the age of

21 are allowed to sit on the Vigil Committee. At the annual Lodge Banquet, which is held on the first weekend of March, the Vigil Honor call-out ceremony takes place. Three Vigil Honor members hold an enlarged Vigil triangle and tap out the nominees. The nominee finds out he was selected for the Vigil Honor once he is placed in the triangle. No prior notification is ever given. To further add to the occasions, traditionally a burning “WWW” and “_” can be seen on the perimeter of the Banquet. Once an Arrowman is tapped, his picture goes up on the front screen and his biography is read.

Nomination forms are available online on the lodge’s website. Remember, “for he who serves his fellows is, of all is fellows, greatest.”



UNIT ELECTIONS

We have had a great year. Both of the ordeals were a success and we're hoping to do even better next year. See everyone at the Fall Ordeal.

Eric Vreeland

TRADING POST

Well, it has been fun, hasn't it? I hope you all have had a great year because I know I have! The Trading Post has been present at every event and has brought in over 4,000 dollars. We have designed over 5 patches, one hat, one shirt, and are working on many other wonderful projects for your enjoyment. Enjoy your summer, cause I know I will!

John Gundlach

SERVICE

Another great ending to another great year, too bad I don't have much to say. All I have to say is that I would like to remind each and every chapter chief to begin getting their books ready for the All-Around Chapter Competition that will take place at the Summer Ordeal at Lone Oak. Each and every chapter should be gunning for a chance to not let the mighty Gokhos Chapter repeat, as much as I, a Gokhos member, hate to say it. Good luck to all of you, and if I do not see you at the Ordeal, have a great summer and stay safe.

Nick Turmes

QUARTERMASTER

Hi, I am Paul Johnson the Quartermaster Chairman. Everything is in the Order of the Arrow shed at Camp Seminole. If you need to get anything out of the shed, you need to contact Ray

Swift and myself. Thanks and have a great year!

Paul Johnson

PUBLICATIONS

Publications took FIRST PLACE at the Section Conference! This issue does not contain the normal sections because it is a special issue on the Section Conference. Sections such as "Arrowman Success" and "Burning Issues" will return in the following issue. If you would like to write for *The Patchwork* and work on the layout, we are currently looking for a new editor. The new editor must be under the age of 21. Please contact Josh Levenson if you are interested (information on page 2).

Josh Levenson



MEMBERSHIP

With this issue of the patchwork comes my departure from many familiarities: Florida, high school, the closeness of my family, and of course, the O-Shot-Caw lodge. The past five years have been a pleasure working with all of you - we are truly very fortunate to have one of the best lodges in the nation headed by some of the best leaders I have had the pleasure to meet. Now, sadly, I must venture onto higher plateaus and watch from above the progress of those just now embarking on the

journey through the OA and life. I am looking forward to College and will always remember the people (young and old[er]) who have helped me along, through good days and bad. Ok, ok, enough with the corny mushy stuff, I need someone to take over the membership database - this person must know and like computers, be of advanced mental capacity, and understand the basics of databases. Technophobes need not apply. E-mail me (ian@c4.com) if you are interested. Good luck and good riddance.

Ian Brelinsky

KING'S CUP

The King's Cup committee has had a successful year. We have participated in many of the council's events including Lincoln Marti Camporee and Scoutmasters. We also took FIRST PLACE this year in the King's Cup competition and hope to do the same next year in Tallahassee. Thank you to all that helped the King's Cup committee this year. If you have any Questions e-mail [theman534@yahoo.com] me or call me at (305) 821-7322.

Paul Fluty

INTERNET

Internet took FIRST PLACE at the Section Conference! We all worked hard for the Section Conference and the Internet Committee was no exception. All the movies and photos from the S4S Conference are up on the website, along with all the awards we've won this year. Also, movies of Scouting Day (April 20th) with Dance & Drum team photos and movies are available as well.

We're looking sharp for NOAC-- everything is up-to-date and looking good.

Rob Burr

1ST YEAR ARROWMAN

The First Year Arrowman committee has accomplished a lot in the past O-Shot-Caw Lodge year. At the Winter Ordeal and the Lodge Banquet, a First Year Arrowman Breakfast was held to welcome new Arrowmen into the lodge. The breakfast described what the Order of the Arrow was all about. Also at the Lodge Banquet, the First Year Arrowman Chairman, Brian Polino, recognized twenty Arrowmen who met the requirements and achieved the First Year Arrowman Award. Although the committee did not reach its goal of forty Arrowmen achieving the First Year Arrowman Award, the chairman and advisor have some ideas that will increase the number of Arrowmen achieving the Award. With the help of the First Year Arrowman Program, Andre Cupas was able to win the Induction Competition at the Section Conference. So far the First Year Arrowman Committee has had a great year, and it hopes to see all of the newly inducted Arrowmen at the First Year Arrowman Breakfast at the Summer Ordeal.

Brian Polino

ELANGOMAT

Hey everybody this is Gary, the soon to be Elangomat Chairman. I am looking forward to a strong next year and also some new Elangomats to help out in running our Extended Elangomat Program. So far this year we have been getting the rest of the

bugs out and I expect it to run smoother and be easier on future Elangomats. I hope that I will have your support for the next Ordeal. If you have any questions call me at 954-680-9947, or contact your Chapter Chief.

Gary Kienzle

DANCE TEAM

Hello everyone. Overall, the Dance Team had a good year this year. We took FIRST PLACE again at the Section Conference against *stiff competition*, and got to perform at events such as the Scout Youth Expo, Eagle Recognition Banquet, and the Scout Out Scouting Day. We also held our first Dance Team Day. We got many new members on the team, and we had a lot of fun. We are eagerly looking forward to NOAC, where we hope to win the National Group Dance Competition. If anyone is interested in joining the team for next year, please let me know and I will notify the new chairman, whomever he may be because I am now the Gokhos Chapter Chief. Thanks.

Eric McAlpin

CEREMONIES

I would like to thank everyone involved with the team this year for a great job. We were able to induct hundreds of brothers into ordeal and brotherhood memberships. We performed this year at the Winter Ordeal and Lodge Banquet. We will also be concluding our year with the ceremonies at the Summer Ordeal. In addition to the lodge events, we competed in the Section Conference and received honors for both ordeal and brotherhood teams. The team

also began performing tap out ceremonies for the chapters. We are ending the year strong and will present a strong presence for the mighty O-Shot-Caw lodge at this year's NOAC evaluations. Thanks for a great year!

James Trimble

CAMPERSHIP FUND

Dear Brothers, The Campership Fund this year went well. We didn't reach our goal of \$20,000, but we got near it and made around \$15,000 to \$16,000. Only Three chapters fulfilled their duty to the Joseph Aaron Abbott Campership fund by doing fundraisers and raising \$200 each. The chapters are: Pooqa-Tooqa who did a service project to raise money, Paldani who sold decal American flags, and O-Shot-Co-Chee who held their annual bowling tournament at Clover Leafs Lanes. I would like to say thank you to those chapters and Chapter Chiefs. I had a fun year and would like to see you all next year. Keep up the brotherhood of cheerful service.

Jonathan Marino

CAMP PROMOTIONS

The Camp Promotions committee has been almost inactive since the Scoutmaster's Camporee. If you or someone you know is planning an event where the presence of the Camp Promotions committee would be appropriate. We only ask that you give us enough advanced notice to get all the display equipment ready for your event. If you or someone you know has any questions for the camp promotions committee, feel free to ask at any time. Thank you for your time.

Adam Gilliland

TO-HOPKI-LAGI

Well, this year for To-Hopki-Lagi was a better year. We are making strides to become a better chapter.

We are in the process of making new t-shirts and we have youths going through the ordeal. We also have a website that is under construction. At the Lodge Banquet we competed in the Quest for the Golden Arrow and we placed in almost every event.

We cooked at the Winter Ordeal and made some really good food.

I hope this is just the beginning of a comeback for the chapter.

Courtney Bays

TOMOKA

Brothers, the Tomoka chapter has had some problems that were faced this year in the district. But we are now ready to try and make a comeback. Not in a big number yet, but in strength. So we will see you all next year in some force.

Andrew Azevedo

POOCA TOOKA

What a Conference! With O-Shot-Caw being so great who would want to do anything else.

Pooca-TooKa having the philosophy that you don't need a large chapter to dominate was out in full force at Section Conference with 25 brothers. Also having three Brothers of our chapter help O-Shot-Caw bring first place in three different events. Andre Cupas won First Place in the Induction's Competition that deals with ordeal management, Alberto Nuño lead 265 in the Quest for the Golden Arrow, and Paul Fluty brought home the King's Cup Competition to its rightful owner. Spirit Chairman Manny Mendez comes up short, but if you were at Section you know that the First Place is in our hearts. Pooca-

TooKa always keeping their promise as well as tradition showed up to the Best All-Around Lodge Competition to support Josh Levenson. Our

congratulation goes out to him for leading our Lodge into even more greatness. Summer Ordeal is coming close and we can almost taste victory for the Best All-Around Chapter Competition.

Our year has been superb dominating the Tom Tathom Spirit Award and Quest for the Rusted Arrow at the Lodge Banquet, having two brothers elected into office of the Lodge, and 7 brothers on the LEC (5 youth, 2 adults). Were looking forward into next year. Past First Vice-Chief Andre Cupas has been elected Chapter Chief of Pooca-TooKa with the promise of Chapter domination of our Lodge once again. If you know Andre with his dedication and love for the Order, his Lodge, and Chapter, failure is not an option.

Pooca TooKa Chapter

ELGIXIN

Well, another year has come and gone. The Elgixin chapter had a pretty good year, winning the golden pumpkin award and participating one hundred percent in all the lodge events. We had a super time at the last lodge event which was the section conference held at Camp Flaming Arrow. The Elgixin Chapter also had some pretty good success and progress this year. We held our yearly chapter elections on Saturday May 18, where the new Chief, Vice Chief, and Secretary were elected. I am happy to say that I look forward to seeing the chapter have a great year under the newly elected Chapter Chief Greg Nelson. I know that he and

his staff will do a great job of running the chapter.

Evan Vialpando

What is in the next issue?

Find out what will be in the next issue of the "award winning" *Patchwork!*

Summer Ordeal

Read about all of the cheerful service this lodge performed at Camp Lone Oak and who won Best All Around Chapter!

Lodge Officers

5 officers were elected at the Summer Ordeal. Read their biography in the next issue!

Bowling Tournament

Find out how much money the O-Shot-Caw Lodge raised in name of Joseph Aaron Abbott and how well some of our famous Arrowmen bowled!

Summer Camp

Well, it wasn't the return of the great white heron like last summer... because the heron is already here! Read about all the joys of summer camp at Camp Lone Oak!

N.O.A.C.

N.O.A.C.! You know, the largest Order of the Arrow event? O-Shot-Caw Lodge traveled to the University of Indiana with over 80 Arrowman in attendance! Read about all of the awards we won and how our lodge once again stood above the rest!

Arrowman Success!

Do you know an Arrowman who has succeeded beyond the Boy Scout program? Send his information to the address on page 2 and he most likely will be in the next edition of "Arrowman Success!"

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**Election Results &
NOAC in next issue!**

Lodge Calendar

Summer Ordeal
May 31 – June 2, 2002
Camp Lone Oak

N.O.A.C. 2002
July 27 – August 4, 2002
University of Indiana

Fall Ordeal
October 11-13, 2002
Camp Seminole

Haunted Forest
October 26, 2002
Camp Seminole

Section Conference SWEEP!!!

First Place Best All Around Lodge
First Place Inductions Competition
First Place Quest for the Golden Arrow
First Place Group Dance
First Place King's Cup
First Place Publications
First Place Internet
First Place Tug-O-War
First Place Three Way Basketball
First Place Build the Raft
Second Place Singing/Drum
Third Place Can you Canoe?
Third Place Shotgun/Rifle
Honor Pre-Ordeal Ceremony
Honor Brotherhood Ceremony
Best Kichkinet – Zach Bentele
Best Nutekit – Sean Mannix

From wall to wall... O-Shot-Caw's got it all!



Members of O-Shot-Caw hold up all the trophies from the Section Conference